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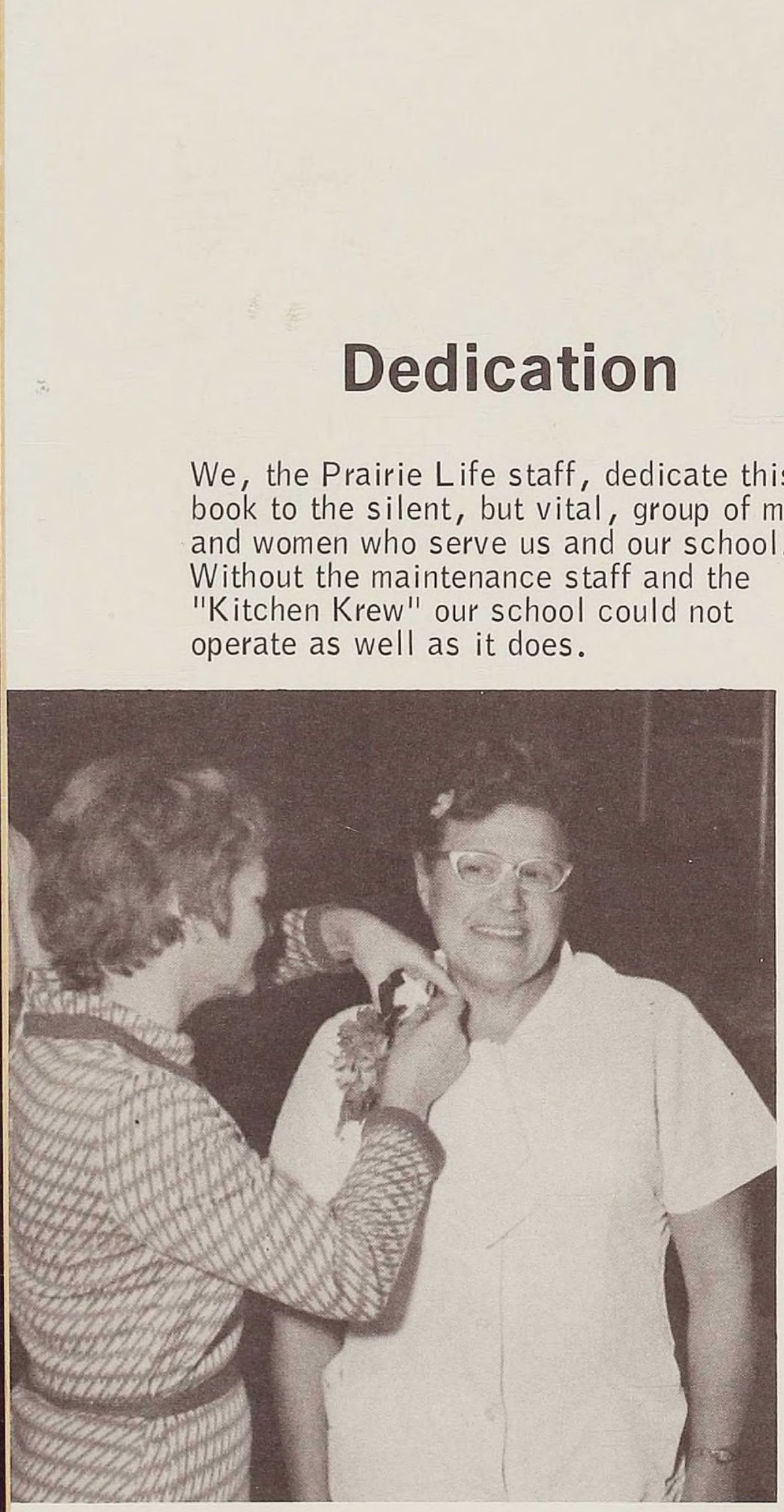
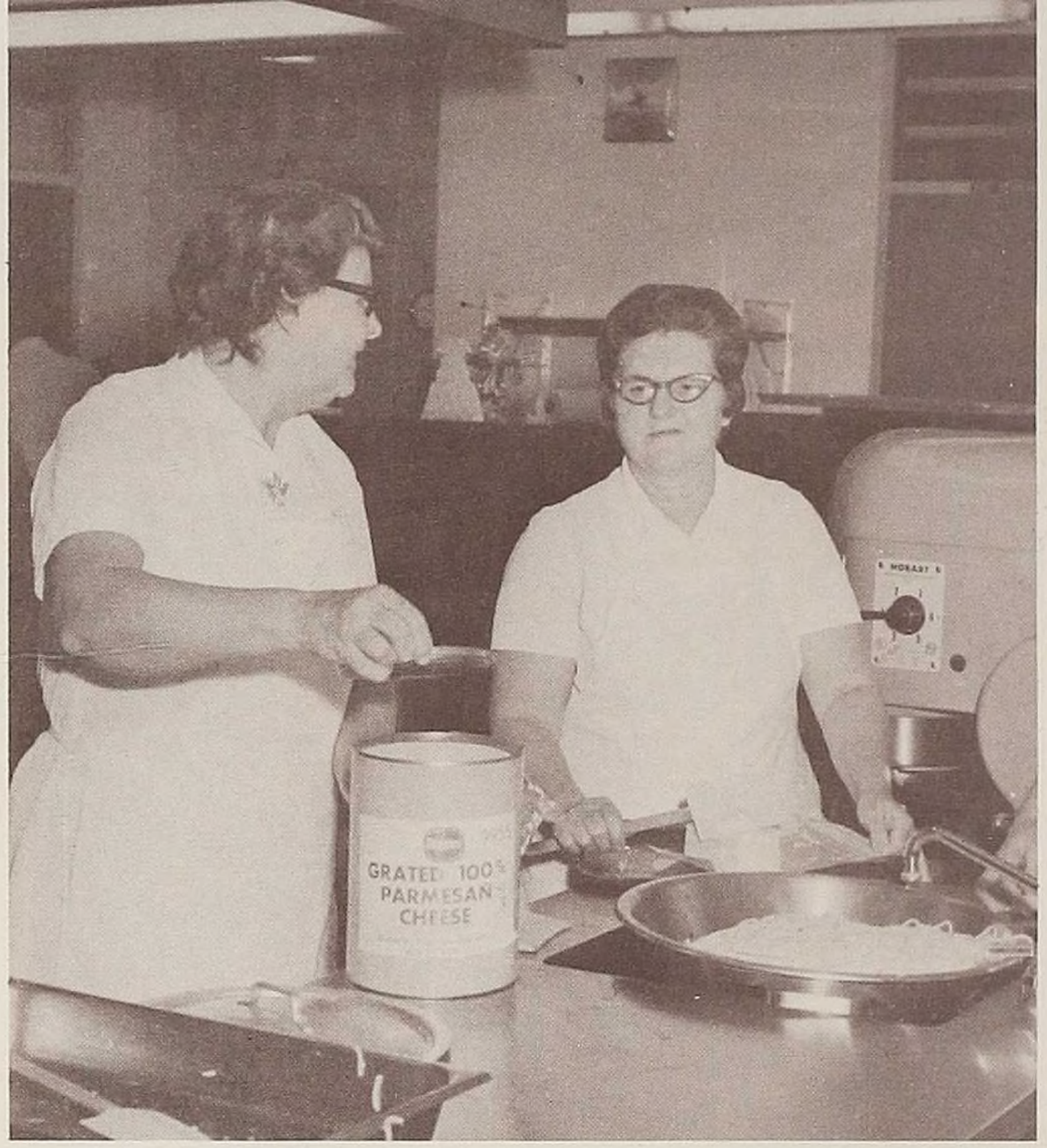
New Prairie High School
New Carlisle, Indiana

Dedication

We, the Prairie Life staff, dedicate this book to the silent, but vital, group of men and women who serve us and our school. Without the maintenance staff and the "Kitchen Krew" our school could not operate as well as it does.

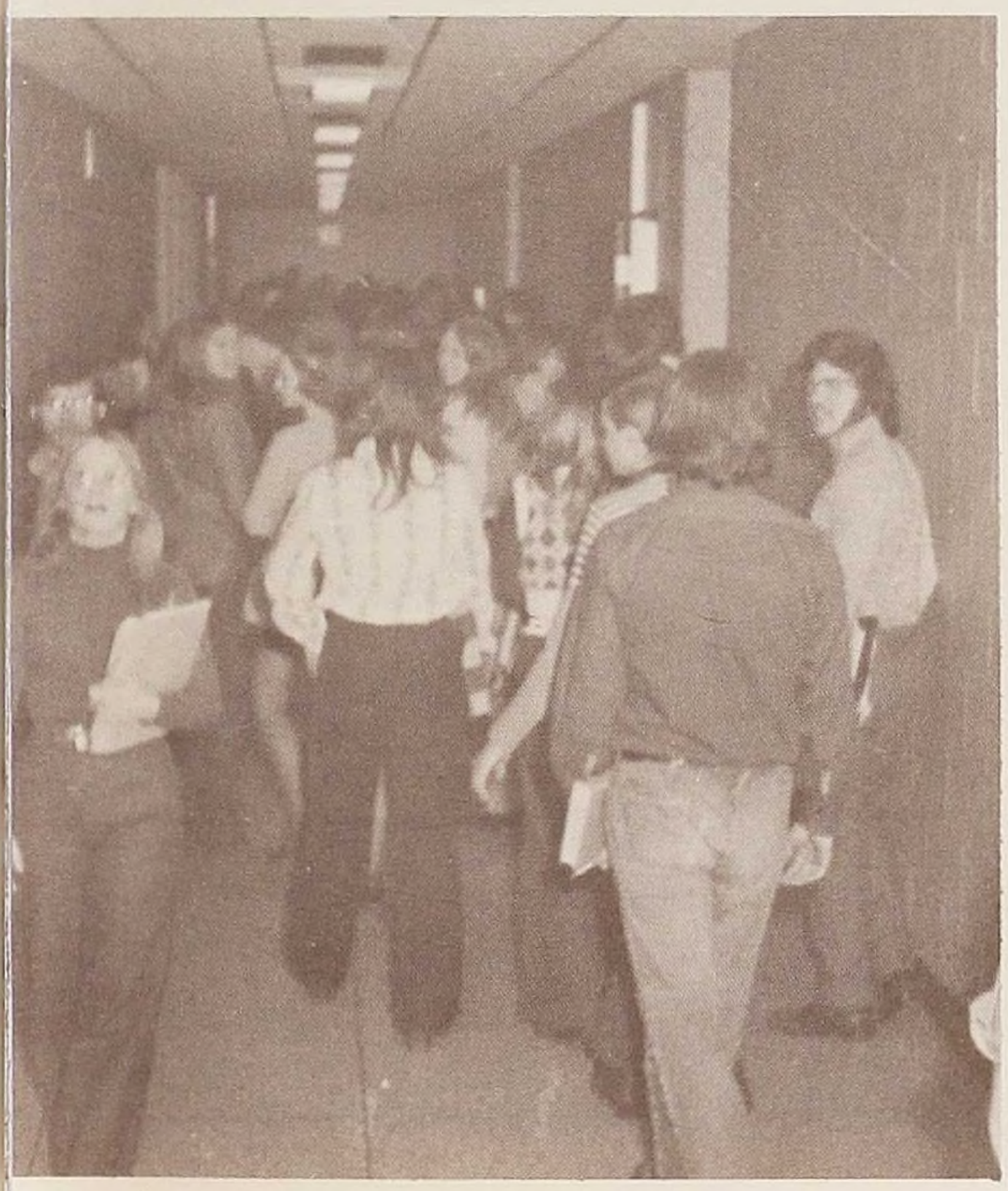




CLOCKWISE, FROM RIGHT: Cooks spend many hours preparing food. Ted Zoph relaxes on a break. Arlo Gourley. Mrs. Ray is honored by her co-workers.

Collage: a cluster of fragments.

7th Collegiate Dictionary



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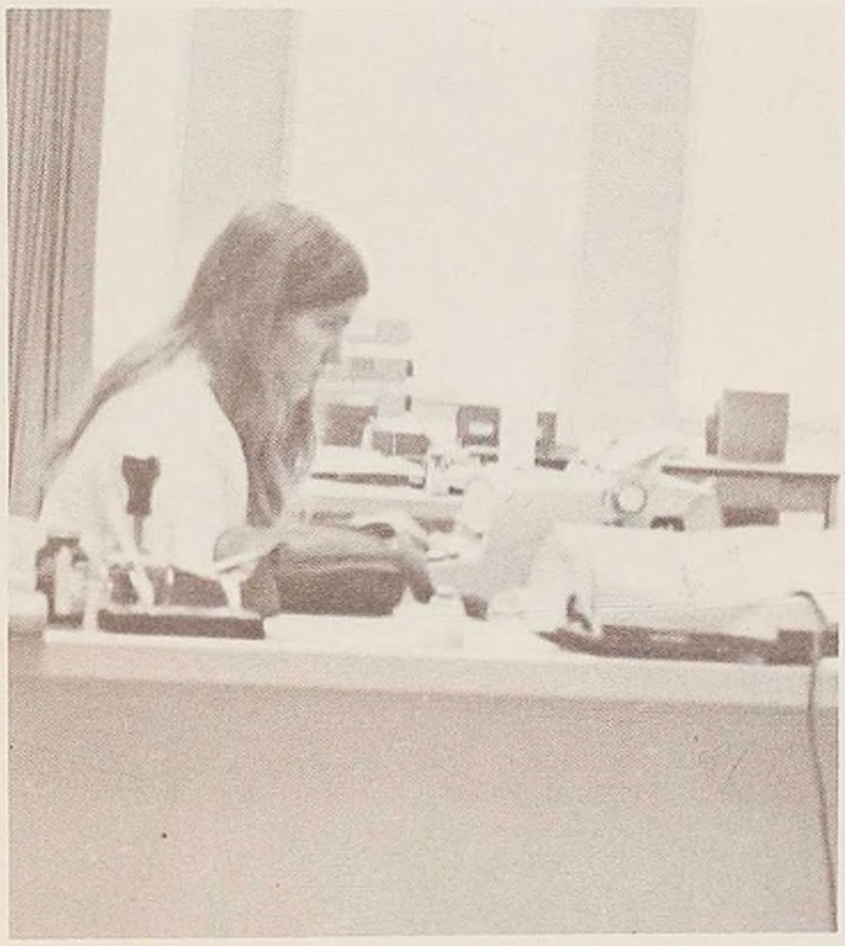
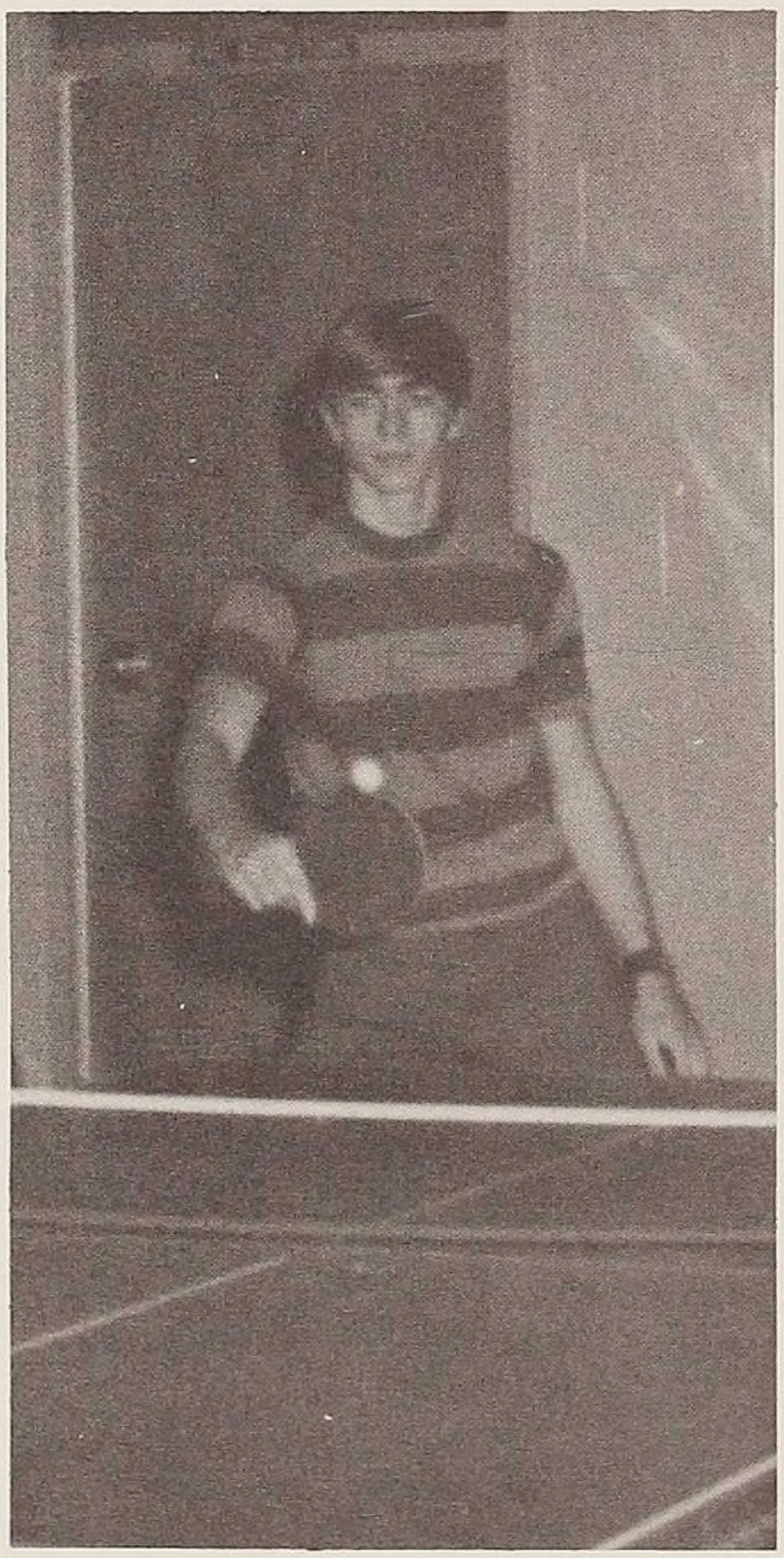
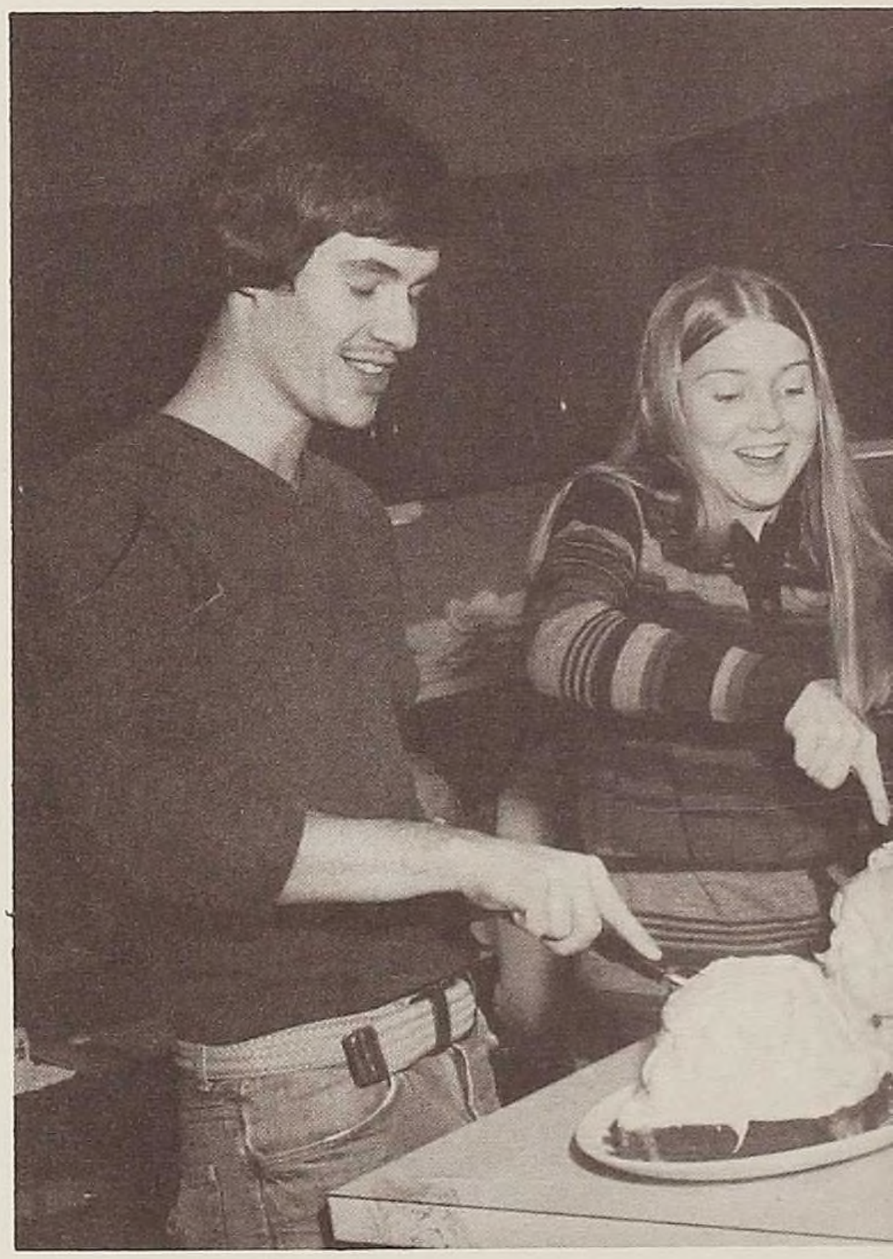


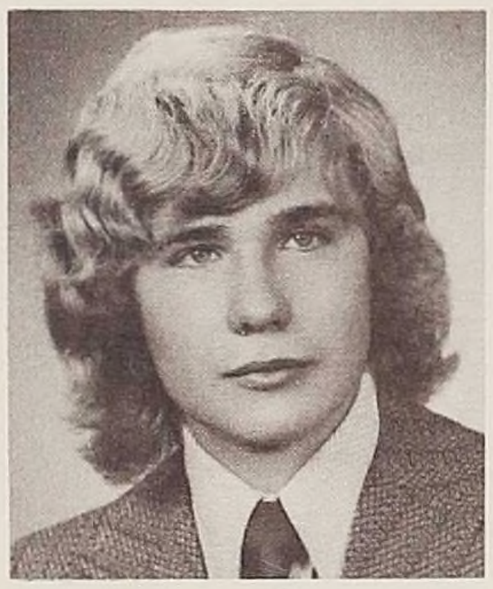




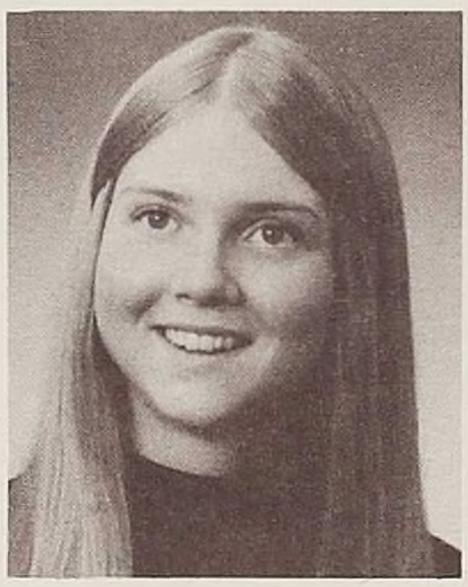
Any student who maintains a 3.6 or better average during his junior year receives an honor sweater as a reward for his work. The sweaters are presented during the fall awards program along with other scholarship awards, citizenship awards, and attendance awards.

Patricia Hunt
pep, Sp, GSC, sl st, FHA

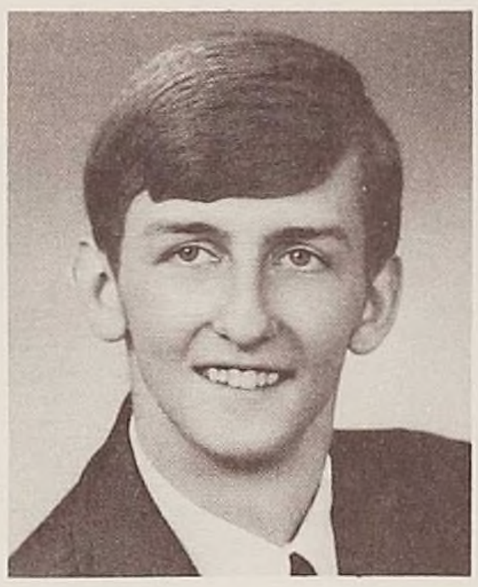
Dawn Hutts



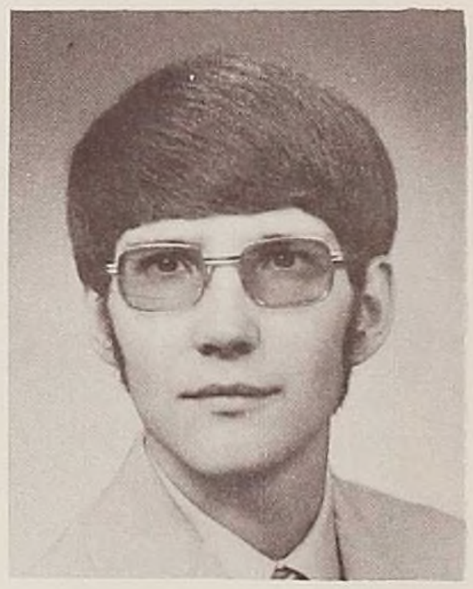
Philip Jankowski
Sp, intras, bskb, fb



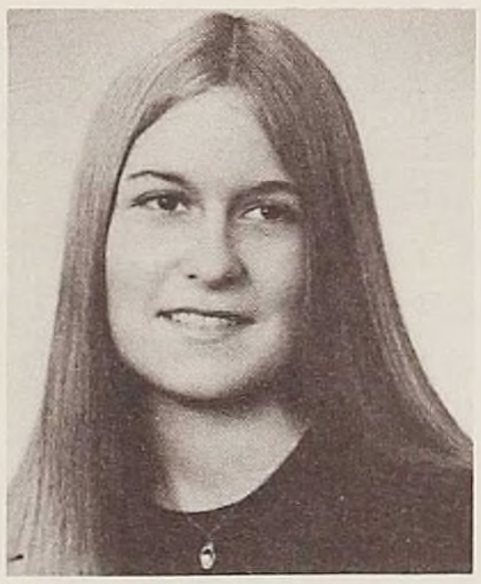
Kathleen John
FTA, Sp, NHS, pep, cheer-leader intras, choir



Matthew Johnson
AVA, band

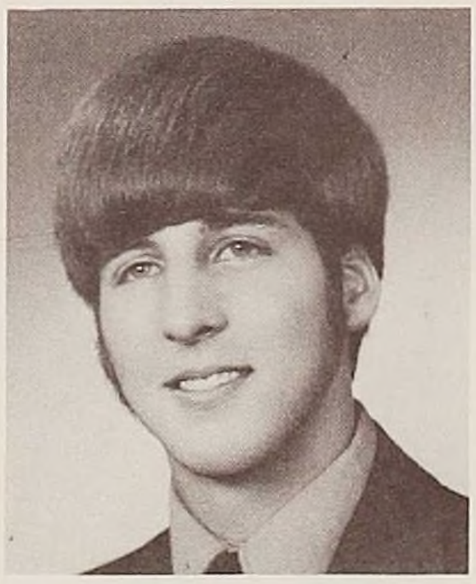


Bruce Jones

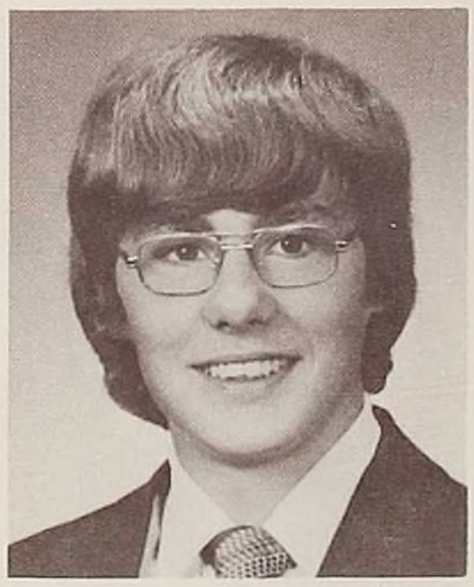


Jill Joslin
Sp, Ger, GAA, swing choir, gymn, choir, intras

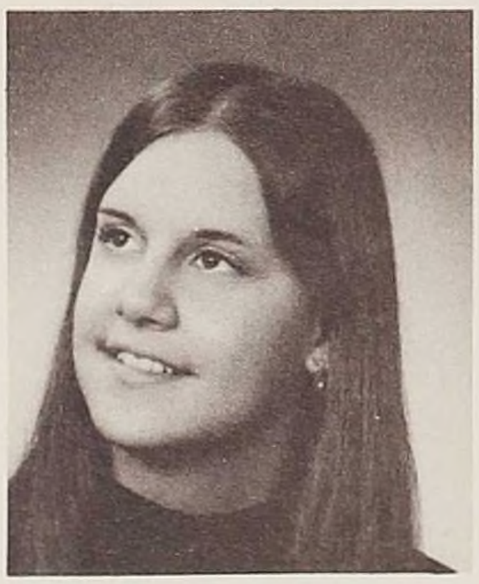
Jeff Kent
lettermen, fb, tr, band



Dennis Kime
Fr, pep, NHS, swing choir, band, choir, tr



Kevin Kindig
Sp, lettermen, fb, bb, intras



Darlene Kistler

Arlene Kleine
pep, FHA, GSC, Ger

Jennifer Klute
Sp, NHS, yb

Regina Krzyzak
Choir

Jeri Lambert
pep, lettergirls, Sp, GAA, Swi, tennis, bskb, vb, choir, intras

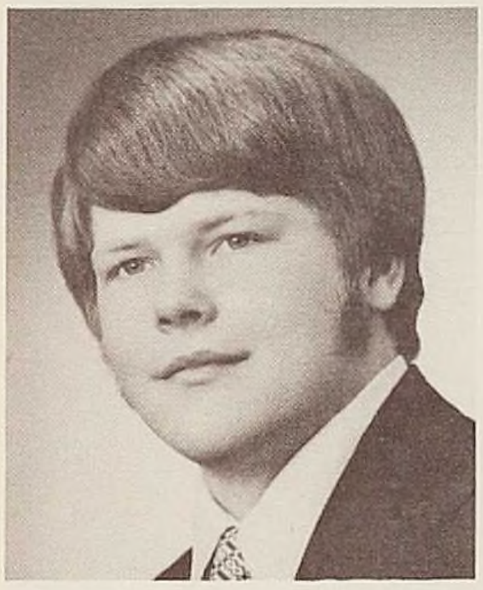
Tina Lange
Sp, choir

Samuel Lankford

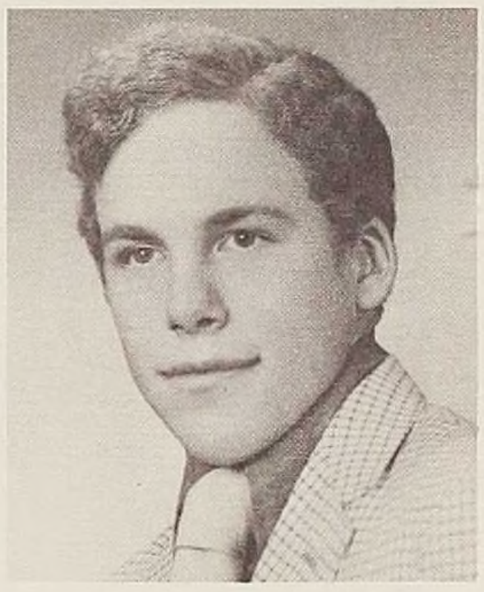
Philanese Lau
Latin, FHA, OEA, choir

Joseph Laureys
Latin, Sp, bskb, golf, fb, tennis, intras

Brenda Lawson



Micheal Lenig
fb, bb, bskb, Boys' State
Sp, Lettermen, intras



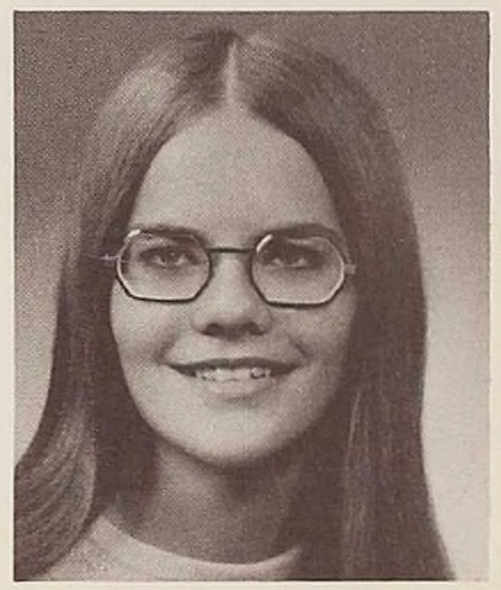
Mark Litza
band, intras

Students receiving honor sweaters are Marsha Truex, Kathy John, Vic Warren, Diane Garoutte, Kathy Moffett, Carol Zlosa. Marie Galvas, Ruth Hans, Gayle Truyaert, Lanette Cowley, Wanda Wilson, Sandy Brady, Debbie Wrobleski, Janice Heminger, Michele Pfeiffer, Mark Litza, Jennifer Klute, Mary Rudecki, Pam Cain, and Martha Fisher.

Susan Manges
Cheerleader, pep, fr, band, choir, sw choir, NHS, Co Rep, intras

Janet Mangold
pep, Sp, Ger, band

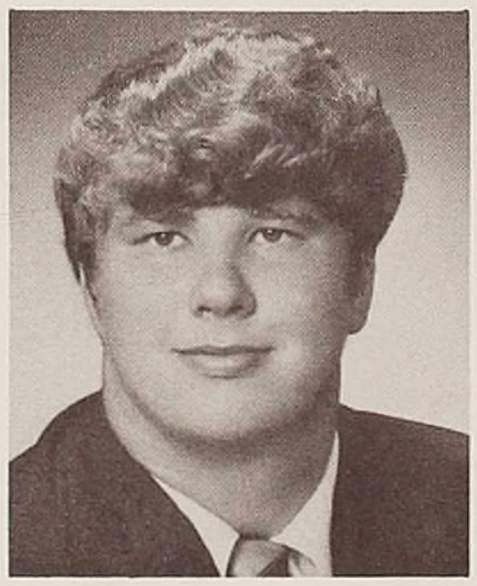
Pamela Manuszak



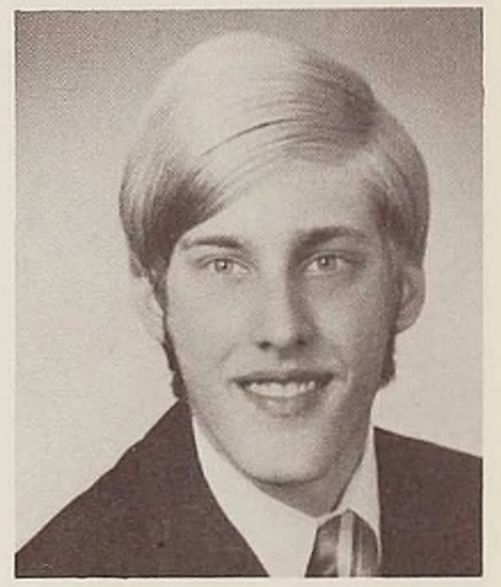
Roberta Martell
Sp, GAA

Pamela Martz
pep, FHA, Co Cad, choir

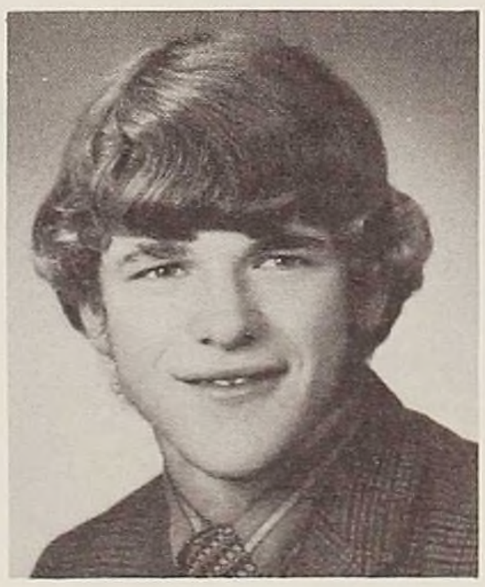
Sherri Mayse
choir



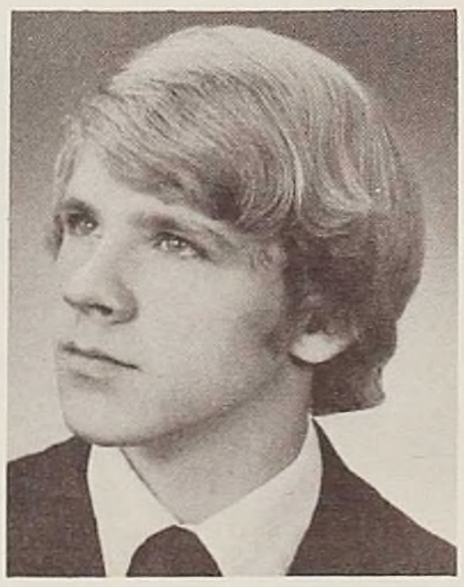
Peter McCollum



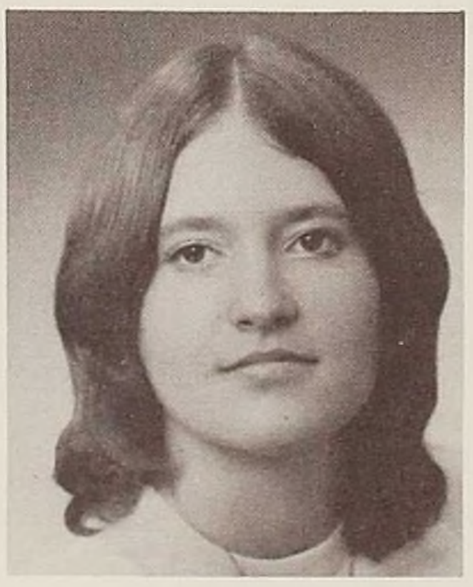
James Meehan
Graphic arts



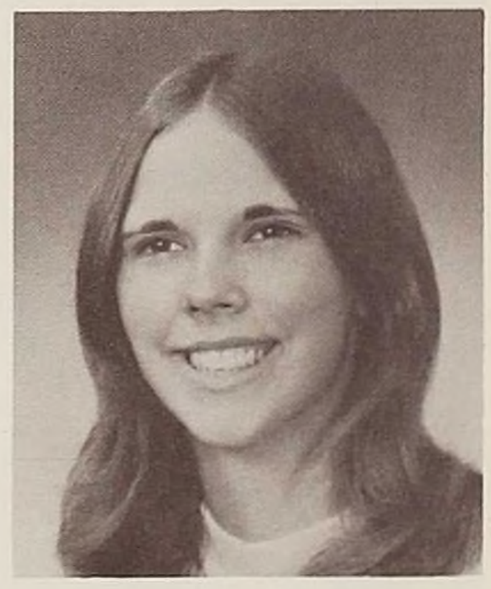
Sidney Meyers
FFA, Lettermen, fb, wr, tr



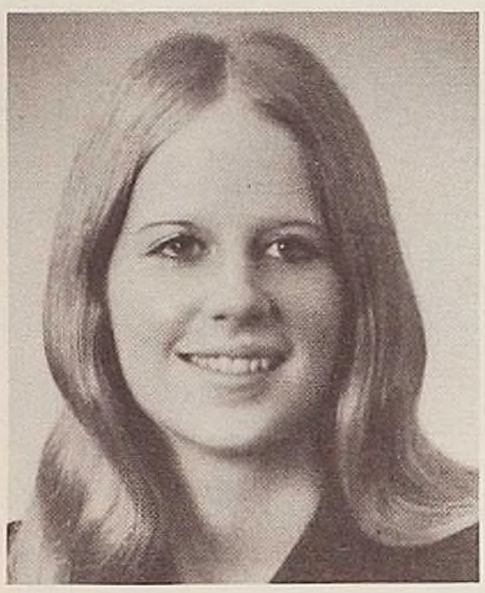
Michael Miller
pep band, Boys' State, bskb, tennis, golf, band



Penny Miller
choir

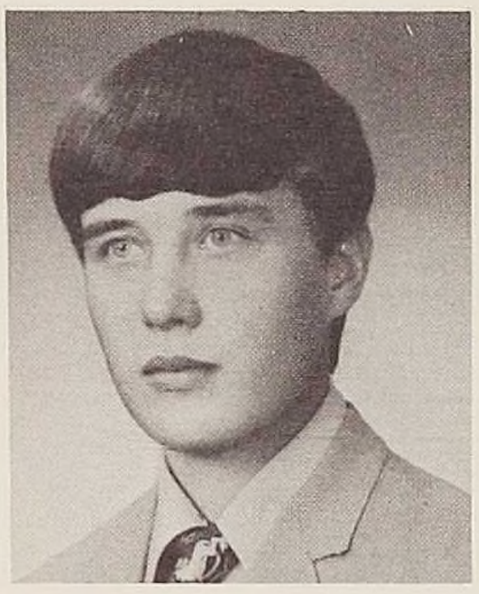


Diane Mills
Co Cad, pep, Sp, choir, intras



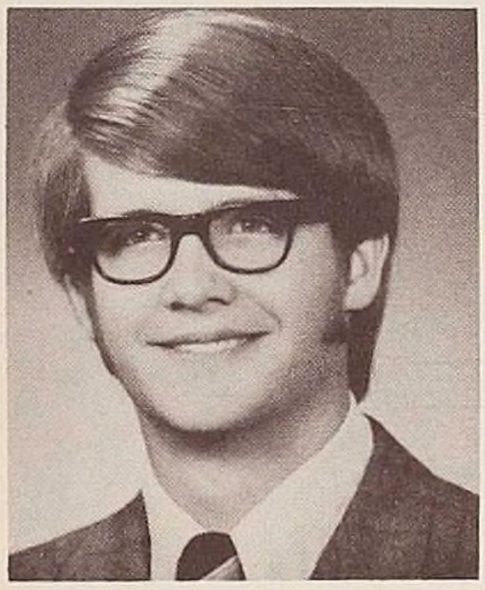
Felicia Mitchell

Katheryn Moffett
GSC, Sp, GAA, NHS, band



James Molenda

Kimber Moore
Sp, GAA, Ger, lettergirls, pep, Co Cad, vb, track



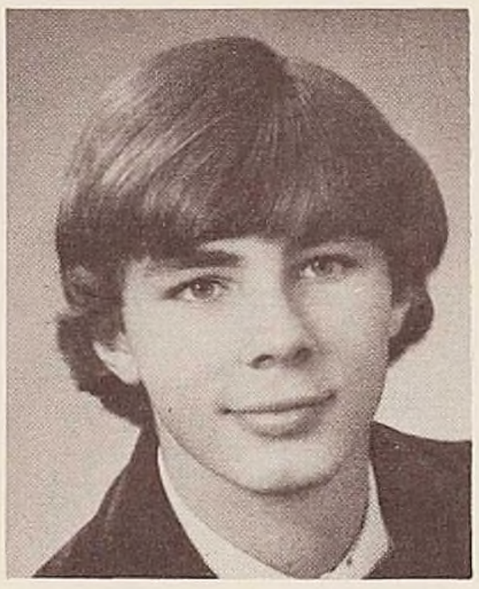
Lawrence Mrozinski
FFA, Ger, intras

Rebecca Nordahl
Fr, yb, band

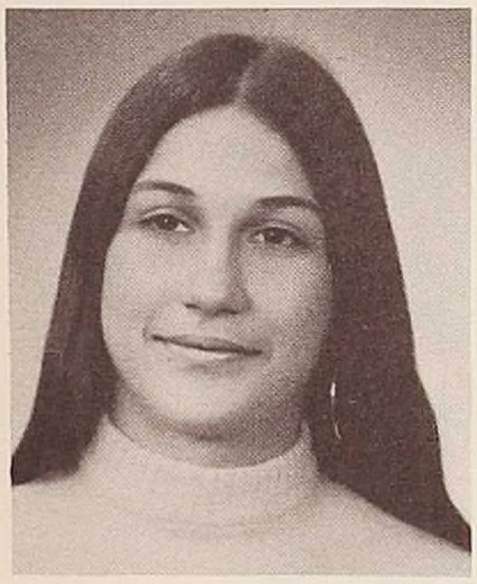
Pamela Norris
pep, Ger, GSC, FHA, Latin

Steven Olson
FR, Sp, Fb, tr, intras

Richard Parry
lettermen, pep, fb, bskb, intras, band, ass't cheerleader



Bruce Peterson
lettermen, Sp, bskb, intras



Michele Pfeiffer
band, GSC

Karen Pitmon

"Paul Zahl can do it all."

Thus began a sports story in THE SOUTH BEND TRIBUNE following a smashing Cougar victory on the gridiron. Therefore, it was altogether fitting and proper that our stellar quarterback be the recipient of a plague honoring him as the most valuable player in the Northern State Conference.

Zahl headed the "Cougar Club" an organization set up by the coaches to recognize the player who has excelled in regular season games. He scored 15 touchdowns during the season. He carried the ball 111 times for 617 yards. His longest run of the season was 90 yards. He threw 91 passes and completed 35 for 590 yards. Four of his aerials went for touchdowns. He also intercepted a pass against Knos and ran that back 70 yards for a touchdown. He returned 16 kickoffs for 406 yards to lead the team in still another department.

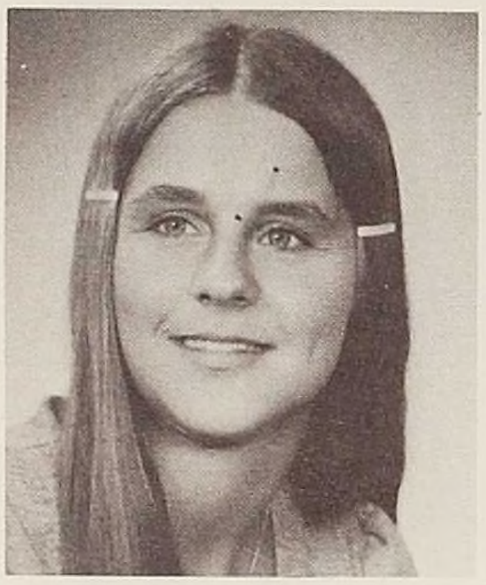
His darting maneuvers and quick stutter steps delighted NP fans. Opponents evidently respected him, for rival coaches voted him to be named conference MVP. This was the first time for this honor.

Richard Renfro
FFA, fb

David Romanowski
Sp, Graphic Arts

Mary Rudecki
sw choir, sp, band, NHS, choir

Frank Schreiber
bskb, intras

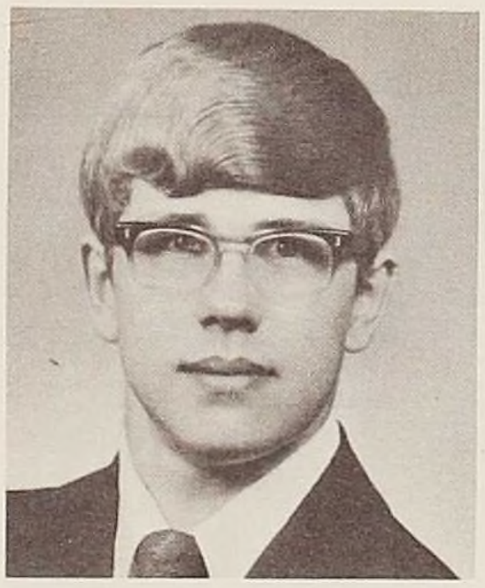


Janet Schroeder
Sp, lettergirls, pep, cl st, GAA, vb, swi, bskb

Montgomery Scott
lettermen, fb

Bonnie Shepherd
Co Cad, pep

Janet Shock
Sp, pep, Gsc, FHA, NHS, intras

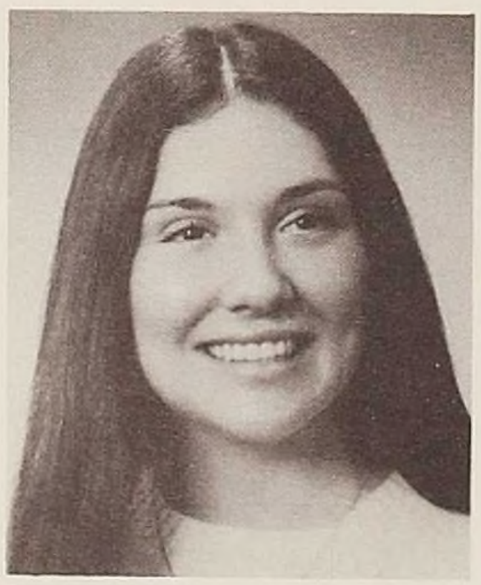


Glendal Sims
AVA, Graphic Arts, Sp

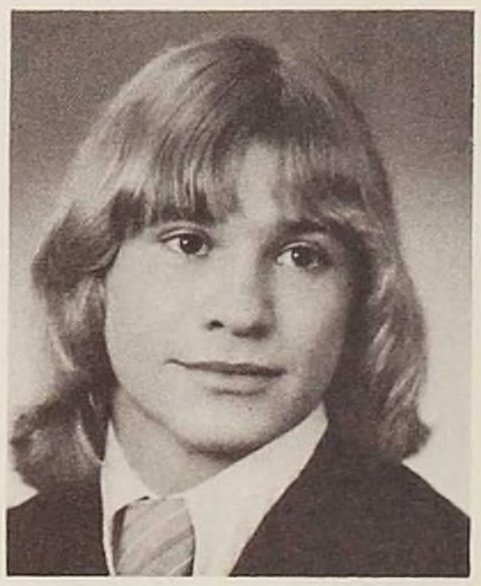
Nancy Small
vb, band, bskb

Gail Smith
FHA, choir

Eugene Smith
Sp, FFA, fb, wr



Lynda Smith
Sp, pep, FHA, GAA, FTA, GSC, NHS, band, cheerleader



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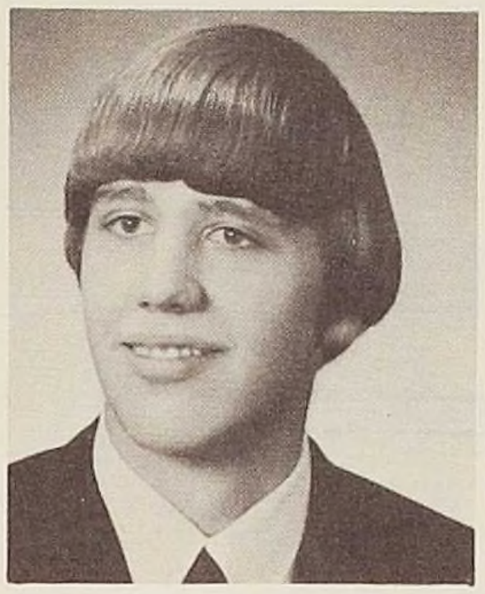
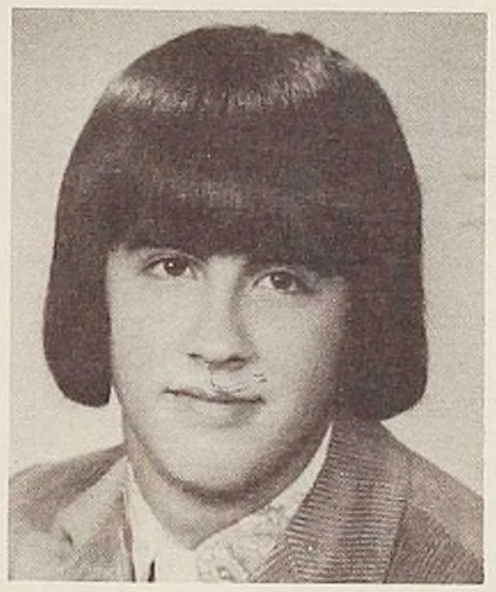
Sp, lettermen, fb, bskb, tr, intras



Ronald Smith

April Smolenski

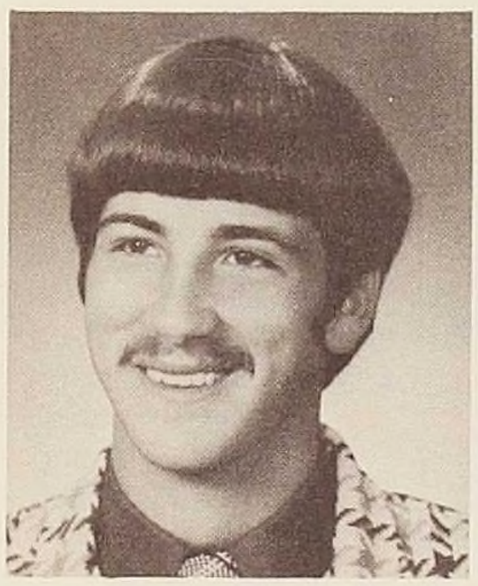
Aaron Stayback
fb, intras



Mark Stevens
band, intras

Patricia Stockton
Sp, GAA, lettergirls, golf, intras

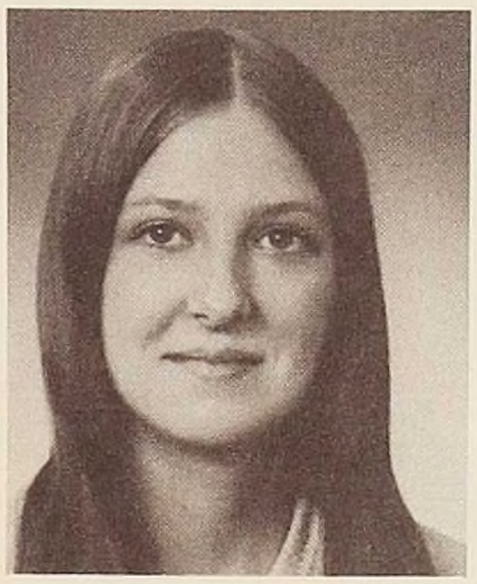
Bruce Stoner
Sp, lettermen, FFA, fb, swi, wr, intras



Rodney Swank
bskb

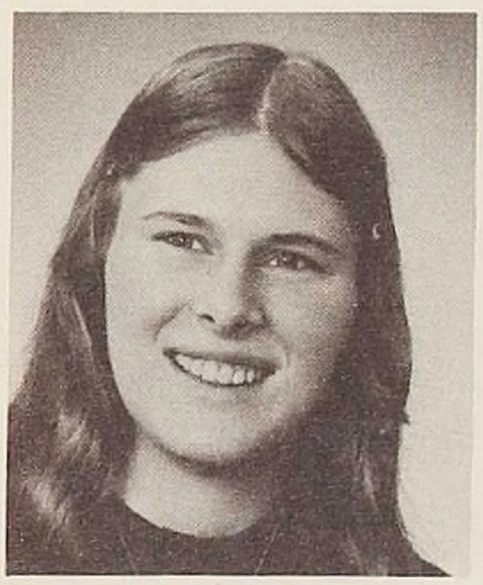
Timothy Swartz
FFA

Cynthia Szczypiorski
FR, GSC, choir, DAR award



Roxanna Taylor

Marsha Truex
pep, Co Cad, Sp, GSC, NHS, choir, intras



Gayle Truyaert
FFA, FHA, Sp

Top Ten Seniors:

Ruth Hans

Debbie Wrobleski

Jennifer Klute

Gayle Truyaert

Wanda Wilson

Lanette Cowley

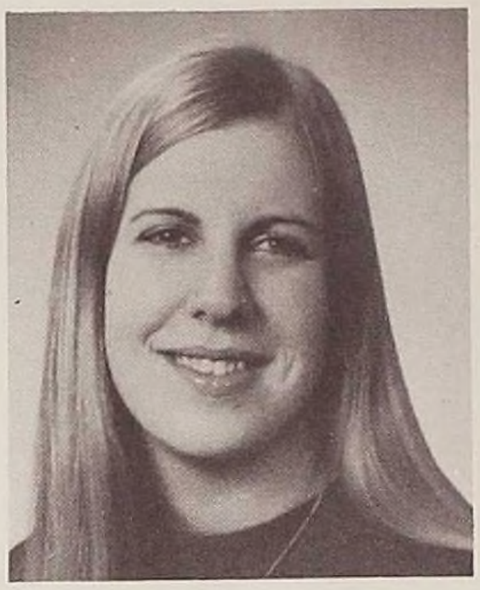
Michele Pfeiffer

Janice Heminger

Marsha Truex

Mark Litza

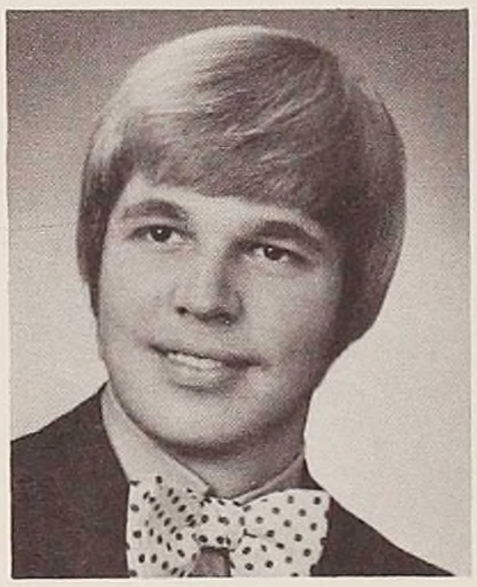
James Vermilyer
Grphic Arts



Zoe Ann VonArx
FHA, pep, vb, tr, choir

Melody Walton
Latin, pep, art, gym, tr

Vicki Warren
Fr, Co Rep, tennis

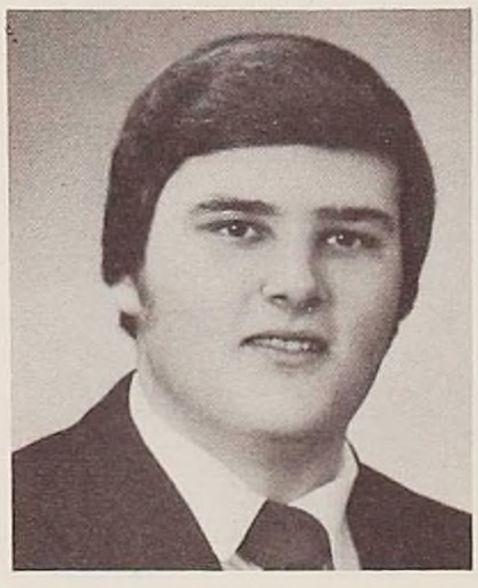


Jeffrey Wiggins
Sp, lettermen, fb, bskb, bsb, tr

Jeanine Wilcox
band, vb, drum major

Nancy Williams
Sp, GSC, pep, NHS, intras, choir

Wanda Wilson
band OEA, NHS



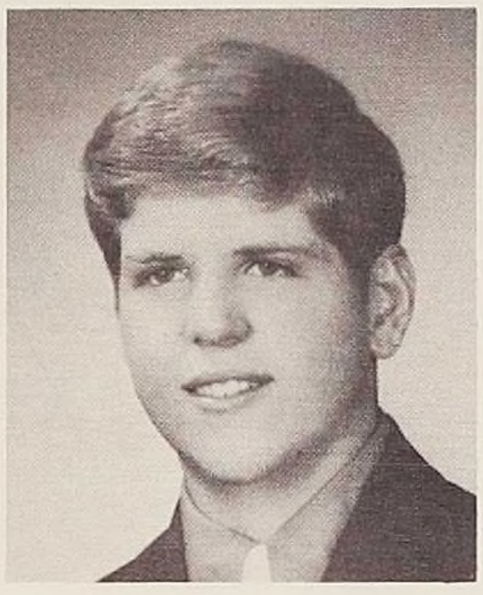
Patrick Winter
AVA, graphic Arts, fb, wr choir

Debra Wrobleski
FR, NHS, band, GSC, intras

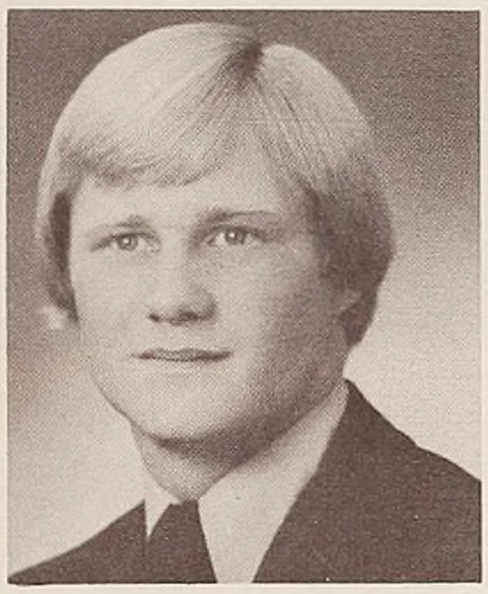
Roxanne Wrobleski
Latin, Co Cad

Tina Young
NHS, pep, Fr, FTA, Co Rep, tr, band

Karen Zakrzewski
Latin, GSC, FHA, pep, choir, NHS, tr, intras

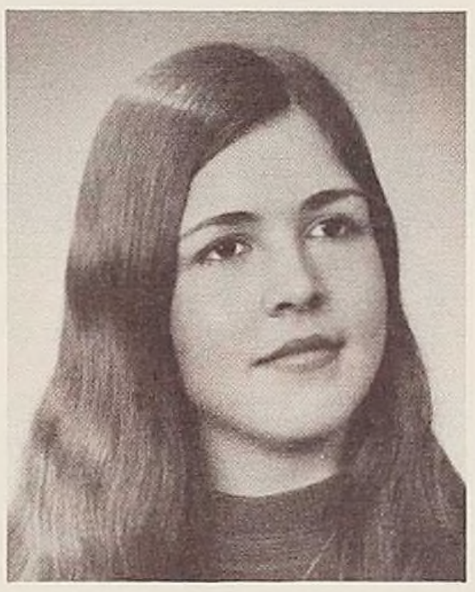


Fredrick Zinser
FR, fb

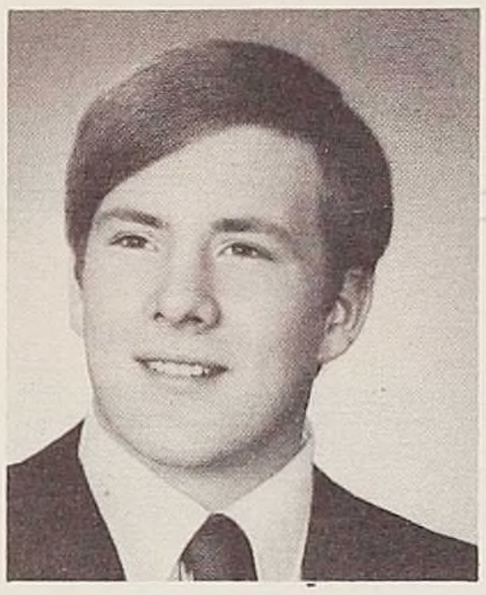


Paul Zahl
Sp, lettermen, choir, fb, bskb, bsb

Carol Zloza
Sp, FHA



Regina Clark
Sp, choir



Terry Banis

Seniors Not Pictured

Jerry DePoy
Kenneth Elkins
Neil Goheen
John Goodman
Kelly Hoggard
Cathy Keller
Harvey Moss
Kevin Myers
Barbara Peterson
Lynn Peterson
Robert Pravecek
Laura Swanson Simmermeyer
Stephen Simmermeyer
John Vermilyer
Jesse Voorhees
Roger Seering

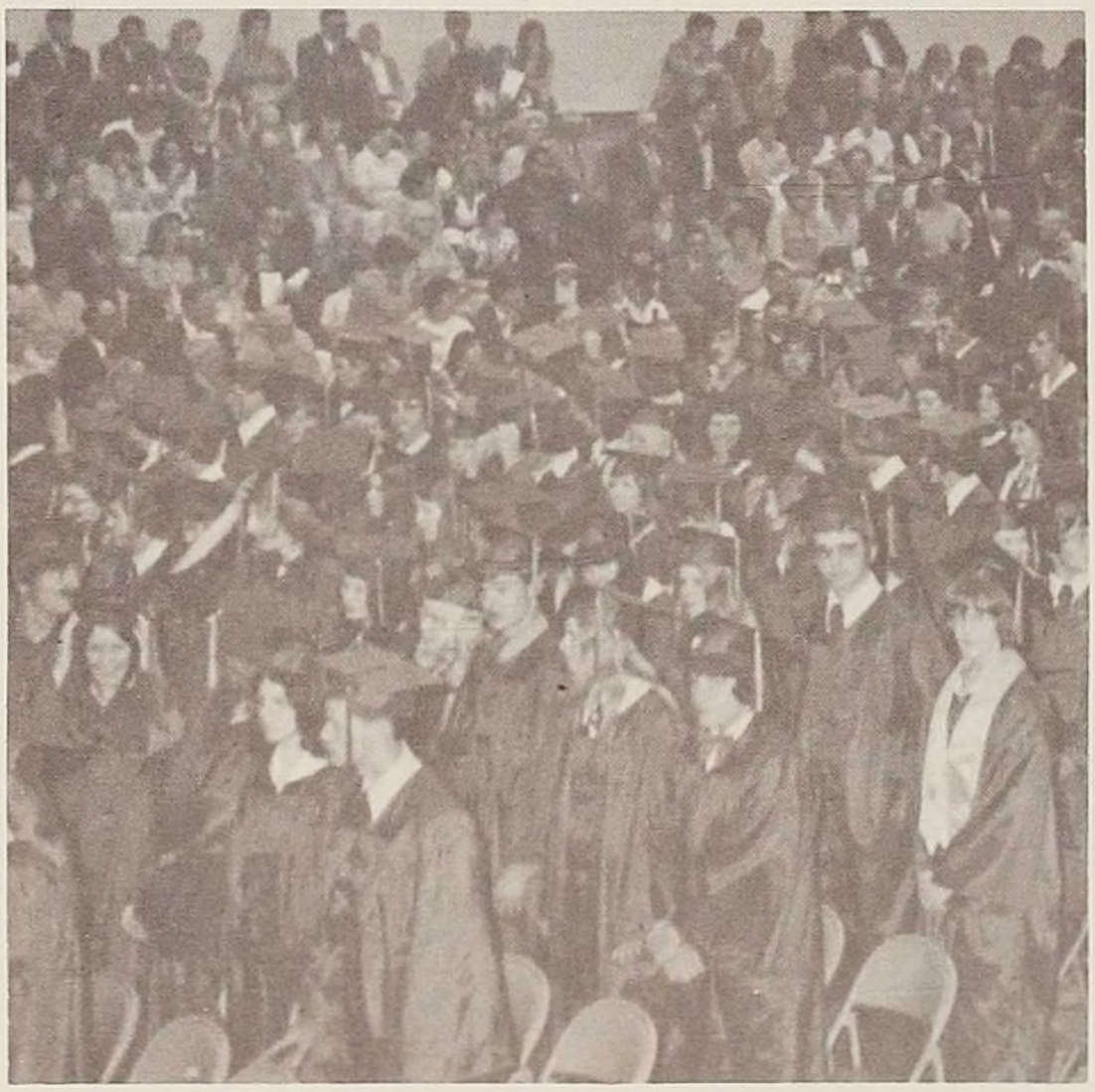
Key to Abbreviations:
AVA - Library-Audio Visual Association
Bsb - Baseball
Bskb - Basketball
Cl St - Clock Stoppers
Coug Rep - Cougar Reporter Staff
Fb - Football
FFA - Future Farmers of America
FHA - Future Homemakers
Flag - Band Flag Girls
Fr - French Club
FTA - Future Teachers
GAA - Girls' Athletic Association
Ger - German Club
GSC - Girls' Service Club
Intras - Intramurals Sports
NHS - National Honor Society
OEA - Office Education Association
Pep - Pep Club
Sp - Spanish Club
St Co - Student Council
Swi - Swimming
TR - Track
Tr Help - Track Helper
Vb - Volleyball
Wr - Wrestling
Yb - Yearbook

A.K.M. honored at Senior Awards

Mr. Amzie K. Miller, Jr. was honored at the Senior Awards Ceremony by the Class of 1974 with the presentation to the school of an oil painting of Mr. Miller. The painting will be displayed near the entrance to the gymnasium and auditorium. Mr. Miller has been principal of New Prairie since 1969, the first year of occupancy of the high school building.

Mrs. Donna Zigler presents the Delta Theta Tau Scholarship to David Akin.
Senior students admire the awards received by fellow students.
Mary Rudecki and Bill Brooks perform the class song for Awards Night.
Jennifer Klute receives the Salutatorian Award from Mr. Noel.

Commencement



As we, the Class of 1974, gather here for the last time, we realize that memories are all we have left of New Prairie High School, the place that has become so much a part of our lives. Memories of good times and bad, our hardships and accomplishments will always be with us.

It is sad to think that we may only have memories of our high school. For many of us, we may never get the chance to make money for that trip to Spain, or work together as a team, knowing pride, sportsmanship, and respect as we win that big game, or even getting weak knees just before the curtain opens to present the musical. Saddest of all, we may never again see many of our friends. But as we look back in the years to come at our class, the class of '74, there are many things that will stand out in our minds, many things we as a class should be proud of. Our football homecoming floats were the best. Our prom was the best. No matter what others said about our class, we worked together and got the job done. We have individuals who have excelled in sports, music and scholarship. Even though these people performed by themselves, they represented our class and had our full backing of pride behind them.

Together as a class we came into New Prairie. Together we have seen marriage, birth, and even death among our fellow classmates. Together as a class we shall go out into the world.

As for our future, whether we are still building our dreams, or making them come true, we the class of 1974, will make our future lives the best. Remember, we always got the job done.

Although we must now say good-bye and go our separate ways, the spirit of our class, the class of 1974, will always be with us.
Susan Manges, class president.

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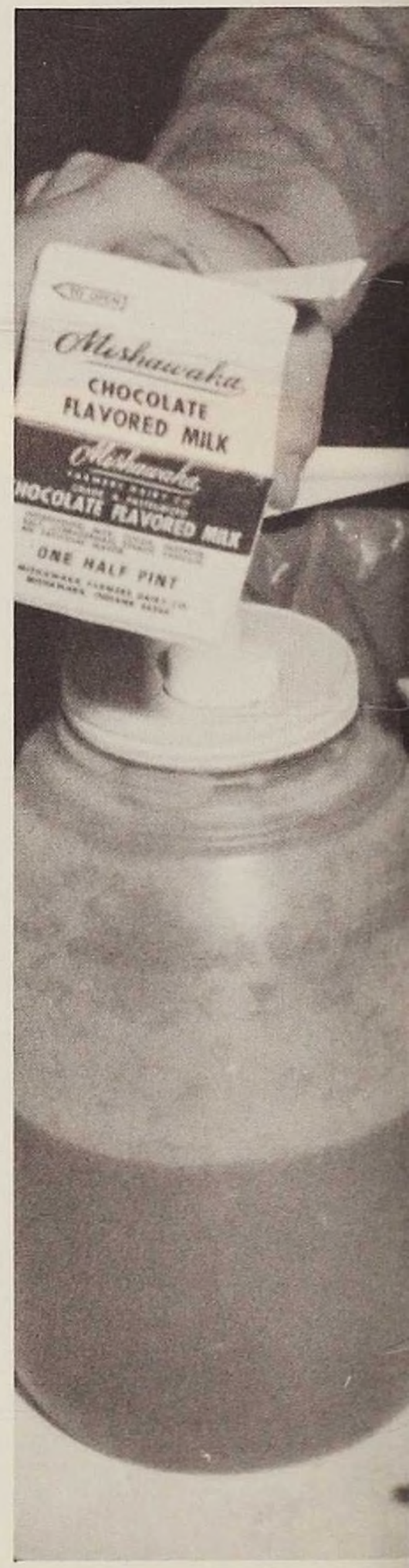

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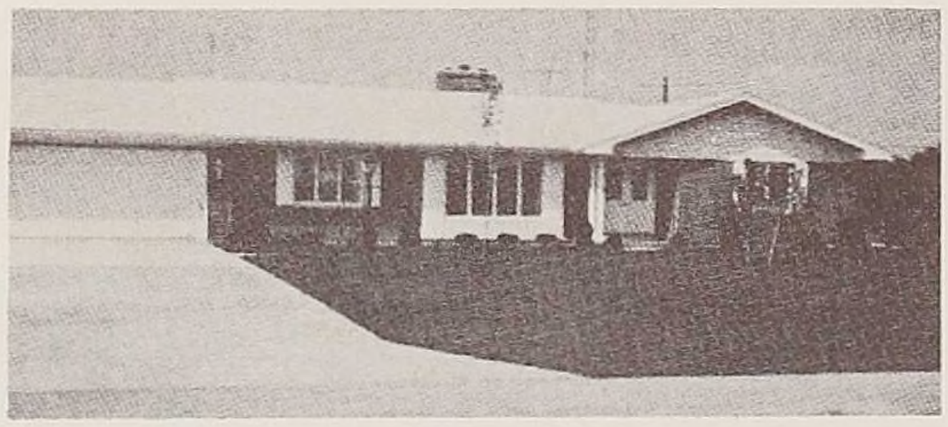

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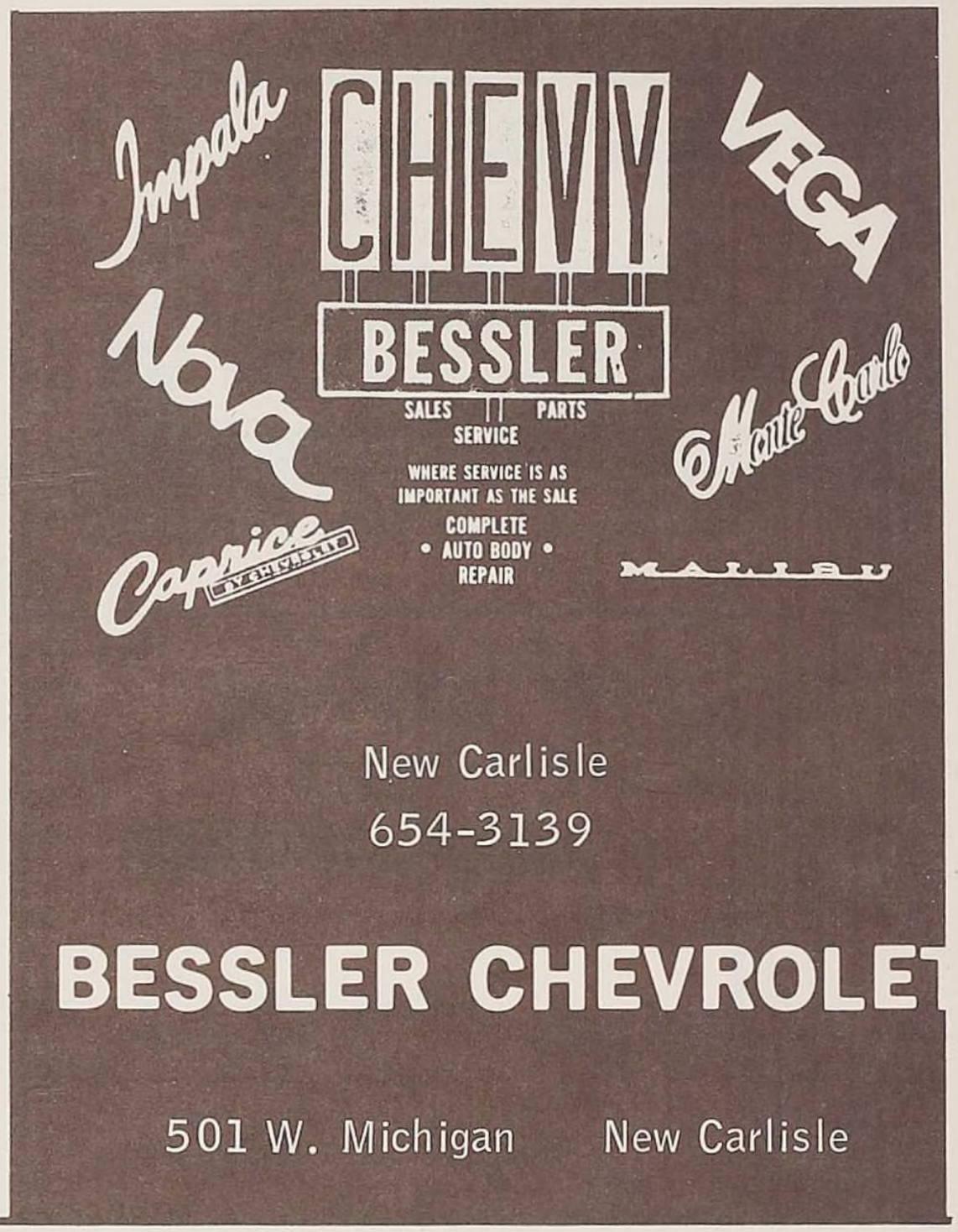

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